(b) if so, the reasons theefor;

(c) the action taken against those responsible for the delay; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATISUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) The filling up of vacancies in any category is a continous process. In accordance with the Post-based Reservation Roster, 36 posts were reserved for ST candidates and the fuH complement has been promised to STS on reguiar/ad hoc basis.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Proposal for digital Technology in Bangalore Centre

1287. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce digital technology in the Bangalore Doordarshan Kendra.

(b) if so, by when it will be introduced; and

(c) the advantages of having the digital technology?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) Doordarshan has proposed digitalization of production facilities at its major Kendras during the Tenth Five Year Plan. The Tenth Five Year Plan has not been finalized so far.

(c) The main advantages of digital technology are-enhanced picture and sound quality; less noise; easy maintenance; easy automation and cost effectiveness.

Selection of Jury Members for National Film Awards

1288. SHRI M.V. RAJASHEKHARAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the list of members of the Screening Committee for National film Awards for the year 2002-2003;

(b) whether it is a fact that Selection Committee does not have a Kannada knowing Members and Kannada movies are judged through an Interpreter; and

(c) the criteria for selection of Jury members for National Film Awards?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) A list of the members of the juries for Feature film and Non-feature film Sections for 49th National Film Awards for films produced in 2001 is given in the Statement. (See below)

(b) The jury for the Feature Film Section includes to members from Karanataka. However, the services of interpreters are used for the members of the jury not knowing the language of the film.

(c) Persons distinguished in the field of cinema, other a fllied arts and humanities are nominated as members of the jury.

Statement

49th National Film Awards Jury

FEATURE FILM

1.	Shri K.S. Sethumadhavan	Chairman
2.	Shri Ramesh H. Desai	Member
3.	Ms. Pallavi Joshi	Member
4.	Shri Arun Kaul	Member
5.	Shri K. Ibohal Sharma	Member
6.	Shri Ali Raza	Member
7.	Shri K. Sampath	Member
8.	Shri Sanjeev Hazorika	Member
9.	Shri J.L Ralhan	Member
10	Ms. Chitra Mudgal	Member
11	Shri Sanjay Surkar	Member
12	Ms. Meera Diwan	Member
13	Shri Nabyendu Chatterjee	Member
14	Shri Hemen Das	Member
15	Ms. Aruna Harprasad	Member
16	Shri K.C.N. Chandrasekhar	Member
17	Shri K.S. Rama Rao	Member
18	Shri Pradip Biswas	Member
19	Shri Prakash Dubey	Member

20	Shri Chitra Lakshmanan	Member
21	Shri Rajivnath	Member

. **Non-Feature Film**

1.	Shri K.K. Kapil	Chairman
2.	Shri Sudhakar Rao	Member
3.	Ms. Shalini Shah	Member
4.	Shri Naresh Bedi	Member
5.	Shri Dinkar Chowdhary	Member

Prasar Bharati Sports Channel

1289. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prasar Bharati sports Channel has bleak future and itsTRP rating is lowering day-by-day;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the revenue generated through advertisements by the channel since its inception, year-wise; and

(d) the measures to be adopted to meet the competition from other sports channels?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No, Sir. Prasar Bharati has informed that ratings of all the channels including DD Sports channel are dynamic and vary from time to time, depending upon the programmes telecast.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Prasar Bharati has intimated that the advertisements reveune from the Sports Channel, during the lasts three years is as under:

1999-2000	Rs. 89.68 crores
2000-2001	Rs. 71.99 crores
2001 -2002	Rs. 69.83 crores